
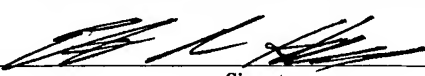



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Applicant(s): Roger Akers, et al.						
Application No. 10/821,455	Filing Date 04/09/2004	Examiner William H. Beisner	Customer No. 34453	Group Art Unit 1744	Confirmation No. 1352	
Invention: Interlinked Culture Chamber for Biologicals						
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Dear Sir:

Amendment

In response to the Office Action of February 14, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as set out below. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the rejection of claims 1-19 in view of the following amendments thereto, and the comments as set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

An **Attachment "A"** is attached following page 11 of this paper.